ENERGY ASSURANCE DAILY

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Electricity

Employees Evacuate Appalachian Power's 1,300 MW Mountaineer Coal-fired Plant in West Virginia over Bomb Threat November 11

Appalachian Power was notified early Monday morning that a bomb might be on the premises. Enforcement officers began to secure the area and investigate the threat. The search spanned several hours, and no evidence was found of a bomb or bomb materials at the plant.

http://www.mydailyregister.com/articles/2008/11/11/news/news01.txt

Constellation's 1,120 MW Nine Mile Point Nuke Unit 2 in New York Shut by November 13

The unit was shut November 11 for repairs on a reactor recirculation pump seal.

Bloomberg News, 13:48 November 13, 2008

Information also derived from the NRC Power Reactor Status Reports:

http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/event-status/reactor-status/2008/

OPG's 535 MW Lennox Oil and Gas-fired Unit 3 in Ontario Shut by November 13

According to a company spokesperson, the unit was shut for short work.

Reuters, 09:29 November 13, 2008

Update: TVA's 1,127 MW Sequoyah Nuke Unit 2 in Tennessee Restarted by November 13

The unit was shut on November 3 due to a problem with a feedwater valve. During the shutdown, workers found indications of a small leak from an instrument-sensing line.

Bloomberg News, 12:59 November 13, 2008

Reuters, 07:44 November 13, 2008

Update: Ameren's 1,125 MW Callaway Nuke Unit in Missouri Ramped Up to 37 Percent by November 13

The unit was shut on November 11 after an equipment failure.

Reuters, 07:52 November 13, 2008

Information also derived from the NRC Power Reactor Status Reports:

http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/event-status/reactor-status/2008/

Update: Dominion's 917 MW North Anna Nuke Unit 2 in Virginia Ramped Up to 29 Percent by November 13

The unit was shut on October 29 due to a failed transformer.

Reuters, 07:37 November 13, 2008

Information also derived from the NRC Power Reactor Status Reports:

http://www.nrc.gov/reading-rm/doc-collections/event-status/reactor-status/2008/

Update: AEP's 526 MW Welsh Coal-fired Unit 2 in Texas to Restart November 13-18

The unit was shut by November 7 for unplanned work.

Reuters, 08:19 November 13, 2008

http://www11.tceq.state.tx.us/oce/eer/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.getDetails&target=116438

Update: POWEREX's 428 MW Dynamic Resource Units in California Return to Service by November 12

According to the California Independent System Operator, the unit experienced an unplanned curtailment of 229 MW on November 12.

http://www.caiso.com/unitstatus/data/unitstatus200811121515.html

Update: AES's 332 MW Alamitos Gas-fired Unit 3 in California Returns to Service by November 12

According to the California Independent System Operator, the unit experienced an unplanned curtailment of 122 MW on November 12.

http://www.caiso.com/unitstatus/data/unitstatus200811121515.html

Petroleum

Update: Chevron Starts Crude Production from Blind Faith Field in Gulf of Mexico November 11

Daily production from the field is expected to reach 65,000 b/d of crude and 55 MMcf/d of natural gas within the next three months.

http://www.rigzone.com/news/article.asp?a id=69393

Update: Louisiana Crude Production Restorations after Hurricanes Gustav and Ike November 10

Louisiana Department of Natural Resources reports 109,263 b/d of crude production is restored, which is equivalent to 70.2 percent of the 155,767 b/d of oil production in the region. About 34,500 b/d of crude production remains shut, which is equivalent to 22.1 percent of daily oil production; 12,004 b/d of production capacity has not yet been confirmed.

http://dnr.louisiana.gov/sec/execdiv/pubinfo/weekly-onshore-prod.ssi

Thunderstorm Causes Brief Outage at Valero's 325,000 b/d Port Arthur, Texas Refinery November 12

The upset caused a brief outage to a gasoline-producing unit. According to a company spokesman, the upset did not have an impact on production.

Reuters, 17:56 November 12, 2008

SRU Shut at ConocoPhillips's 146,000 b/d Borger, Texas Refinery November 13

The unit was shut to repair a control valve which will reduce rates for about a day.

Reuters, 08:02 November 13, 2008

Bloomberg News, 08:02 November 13, 2008

Amine Unit Shut at Delek's 58,000 b/d Tyler, Texas Refinery November 12

The unit was shut for unplanned maintenance.

http://www11.tceq.state.tx.us/oce/eer/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.getDetails&target=116551

Update: FCCU at Shell's 340,000 b/d Deer Park, Texas Refinery Returns to Full Rates November 12

Bloomberg News, 21:43 November 12, 2008

Natural Gas

Texas Eastern Starts Natural Gas Flows to New Jersey of its TIME II Pipeline Expansion Project

The expansion project increases natural gas supplies up to 150,000 Dth/d to New Jersey. NGI's Daily Gas Price Index November 13, 2008, http://intelligencepress.com/

Update: Louisiana Natural Gas Production Restorations after Hurricanes Gustav and Ike November 10

Louisiana Department of Natural Resources reports 1,096 MMcf/d of gas production is restored, which is equivalent to 66.8 percent of the 1,642 MMcf/d of gas production in the region. About 388 MMcf/d of gas production remains shut, which is equivalent to 23.6 percent of daily gas production; 158 MMcf/d of production capacity has not yet been confirmed.

http://dnr.louisiana.gov/sec/execdiv/pubinfo/weekly-onshore-prod.ssi

Other News

Raven Biofuels International Corp. to Develop Biorefinery in Mississippi to Produce Ethanol

The biorefinery is expected to have an output of 21 MMgal/yr of fuel grade ethanol. http://www.downstreamtoday.com/News/Articles/200811/Raven_Biofuels_Announces_Miss_Cellulosi_13758.aspx

Energy Prices

U.S. Oil and Gas Prices November 13, 2008			
	Today	Week Ago	Year Ago
CRUDE OIL West Texas Intermediate U.S. \$/Barrel	55.79	61.07	90.82
NATURAL GAS Henry Hub \$/Million Btu	6.65	7.04	7.22

Source: Reuters

Energy Notes

U.S. MMS Moves to Allow Drilling Off Virginia Coast

http://www.mms.gov/ooc/press/2008/press1112a.htm

Pennsylvania PUC Approves Construction Allegheny's 1.2 Mile, 500 kV Transmission Project in Pennsylvania

http://biz.yahoo.com/bw/081113/20081113006261.html?.v=1

Georgia Power to Cut Electricity to 12,000 Customers in Georgia to Replace Critical Lines on November 15

http://www.thecreativecoast.org/savannahnews/view/1500-lights-out-on-the-islands-for-a-while-

TransCanada Completes Keystone Pipeline Construction over Missouri River http://www.in-forum.com/ap/index.cfm?page=view&id=D94E81D83

Boiler Shutdown at 925 MMcf/d King Ranch Gas Plant in Texas November 12 http://www11.tceq.state.tx.us/oce/eer/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.getDetails&target=116588

Natural Gas Infrastructure Projects in the Western U.S. Slows in Development due to Low Demand and Excess Supply Pipelines

NGI's Daily Gas Price Index November 13, 2008, http://intelligencepress.com/

Florida School Evacuated after Explosion at Nearby Natural Gas Plant November 11; Workers Shut Source Pipeline and Fire Burned Itself Out in 5 Hours

http://www.ktul.com/news/stories/1108/569209.html

Equipment Failure at Tilden Gas Plant in Texas November 12

http://www11.tceq.state.tx.us/oce/eer/index.cfm?fuseaction=main.getDetails&target=116557

Harvest Energy to Defer 75,000 b/d Expansion of Come By Chance Refinery in Newfoundland and Labrador due to Financial Conditions

Reuters, 11:23 November 13, 2008

OPEC to Discuss Possible 1 MMb/d Supply Cut at Meeting on November 29 – Iranian Oil Official

Reuters, 11:44 November 13, 2008

OPEC Exports (Excluding Angola and Ecuador) Decreased by $60,\!000$ b/d to 24.34 MMb/d through November – Analyst

Reuters, 11:30 November 13, 2008 Bloomberg News, 16:30 November 13, 2008

Links

This Week in Petroleum from the Energy Information Administration (EIA)

http://tonto.eia.doe.gov/oog/info/twip/twip.asp

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Weekly Petroleum Status Report from EIA

http://www.eia.doe.gov/oil_gas/petroleum/data_publications/weekly_petroleum_status_report/wpsr.html Updated after 10:30 AM & 1:00 PM EST every Wednesday.

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http://tonto.eia.doe.gov/oog/info/ngw/ngupdate.asp

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